

REMARKS

Reconsideration of the present application is respectfully requested.

Although Applicant continues to disagree with the restriction requirement, claims 1-10 have been cancelled thus rendering the same moot.

Claims 11, 14 and 15 stand objected to because of informalities known noted in the office action.

In response, Applicants have amended the relevant claims as per the Examiner's helpful suggestion.

Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the outstanding objections be withdrawn.

Claims 11-16, 19 and 20 stand rejected under 35 USC §112, second paragraph, for the reasons noted in the office action. In response, Applicants have amended the claims in a way that is believed to overcome these rejections. Applicants note that in other applications an Examiner is often helpful in suggesting what language might overcome a §112 rejection of the type made in this application.

Therefore, if the Examiner is of the opinion that any of the §112 rejections has not been overcome by Applicants' claim amendments, Applicants respectfully invite the Examiner to make a helpful suggestion in order to advance the prosecution of this application. Applicants respectfully request that all of the §112, second paragraph, rejections be withdrawn.

Claims 11-16, 19 and 20 stand rejected on the ground of nonstatutory obvious-type double patenting over claims 8-13 of co-owned U.S. Patent No. 7,111,613. Claims 11-16, 19 and 20 stand rejected on a nonstatutory obvious-type double patenting based upon claims 9-19 of co-owned Patent 7,134,616. In response, Applicants have attached separate terminal disclaimers and respective fees with regard to overcome the two double patenting rejections. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request that the outstanding double patenting rejections be withdrawn. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any underpayment or credit any overpayment to deposit account number 500226.

This application is believed to be in condition for allowance of claims 11-20. However, if the Examiner believes that some minor additional clarification would put this application in even better condition for allowance, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned attorney at (812) 333-5355 in order to hasten the prosecution of this application.

Respectfully submitted,


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